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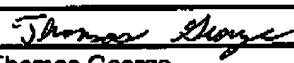
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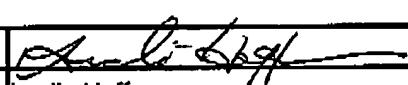
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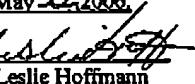
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Sir:

This Statement of the Substance of the Examiner Interview is being timely filed in response to the Office Communication mailed April 21, 2006.

Examiner Interview Summary

A telephone interview was held on April 10, 2006 between Examiner Jean Janvier and the attorney for the Applicants, Thomas George, to discuss the claim amendments and arguments presented in the Response filed by the Applicants on March 31, 2006. This Interview Summary is being filed to supplement the Examiner's Interview Summary mailed on April 21, 2006. The participants discussed claim 21 and also the sole prior art reference used to reject that claim, i.e., U.S. Pat. No. 5,724,521 to Dedrick ("Dedrick"). Mr. George explained the elements of claim 21 to Examiner Janvier and also the reasons as to why *Dedrick* does not disclose at least the following elements set forth in claim 21: "a photographic likeness of the user", "confidence factors that

decay over time", "altering the photographic likeness of the user to incorporate the selected content into the photographic likeness of the user", and "presenting the user with the altered photographic likeness of the user." The Examiner agreed that *Dedrick* does not anticipate claim 21. Mr. George asserted that the prior art references cited in earlier Office Actions (i.e., US Pat. No. 6,199,106 to Shaw et al. and US Pat. No. 6,513,015 to Ogasawara) also do not disclose at least the "altering" and "presenting" elements set forth in claim 21. In addition, Mr. George pointed out that the "altering" element, among others, is also recited in new independent claims 33 and 46. Examiner Janvier stated that he felt the pending claims were "strong" but he wanted to perform another prior art search before allowing the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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